

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

[0033] Referring to FIGS. 2-16, a fluid connector 28 according to an embodiment of the present invention is provided. In an embodiment, fluid connector 28 includes a generally Y-shaped body member 60 that includes a first check valve 62 provided in communication with fluid source 24 by first fluid conduit section 26A, a second check valve 64 adapted to interface with a second fluid source 65 (see FIG. 1), such as a ~~needleless~~needleless syringe, and an outlet port 66 provided in communication with biopsy device 22 by the second fluid conduit section 26B.

[0034] As shown in FIGS. 6-10, body member 60 includes a first inlet port 68 adapted to mate with first check valve 62 and a second inlet port 70 adapted to mate with second check valve 64. In an embodiment, first and second inlet ports 68, 70 are configured as a female luer fitting that includes a threaded surface 72. Outlet port 66 is configured as a male luer fitting having a flanged tubular portion 74 and an internally threaded cap 76 secured to body member 60. Outlet port 66 is adapted to mate with a corresponding female luer fitting (not shown) on second fluid conduit section 26B. While the luer style fitting configuration described above allows the components to be easily connected and provides a fluid-tight seal, other fitting styles and configurations are also within the scope of the present invention. Moreover, at least a portion of first and second check valves 62, 64 may be made integral with first and second inlet ports 68 and 70, respectively.